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RESPONSE

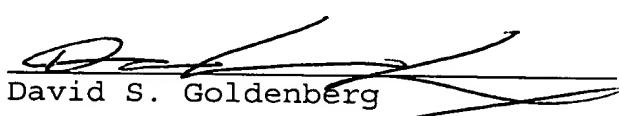
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Respectfully submitted,


David S. Goldenberg

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Copy of PTO communication mailed March 28, 2001.
 Declaration or Oath

Attached to the Declaration or Oath is a copy of the specification which was filed in the Patent Office in order to obtain a filing date for this application.

Verified English translation of originally-filed foreign language text.

Statement(s) re small entity (37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27):
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Statement(s) submitted herewith

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Substitute formal drawings. The substitute formal drawings are identical to the original formal drawings initially filed for this application except they are presented in order to conform to the USPTO Rules of Practice.

Preliminary Amendment

Information Disclosure Statement

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Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119 based on United Kingdom Application No. 0016219.8, filed June 30, 2000.

A certified copy of the priority application is enclosed.

The filing fee is as follows:

Design Application - \$320.00 (large entity)
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Utility Application - as calculated below:

For	No. Filed	No. Extra	(X) LG Entity	RATE ()	SM Entity	Fee
Basic Fee				\$710.00	\$355.00	\$710.00
Total Claims	(16 - 20 = 0)		x \$ 18.00		x \$ 9.00	
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